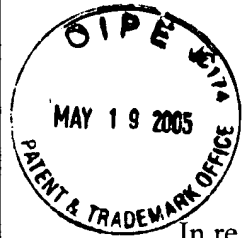


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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated March 14, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 14, 2005, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.